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**Comments:** Dear Examiner Jones:

Attached is a proposed Response to Paper No. 6 (U.S. Serial No. 08/913,960 - MURRER et al). I look forward to meeting with you tomorrow, Wednesday, November 18, 1998 at 10:30 am.

Thank you. Kate Murashige (by Lisa Barber, Secretary)

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office action herein mailed 11 September 1998, time for response to which was set to expire 11 December 1998. The pending claims, claims 1-9 were rejected or objected to. The grounds for rejection have been carefully considered and following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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